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For: METHOD FOR THE FORMATION OF A COATING OF METAL OXIDES ON AN  
ELECTRICALLY-CONDUCTING SUBSTRATE, RESULTANT ACTIVATED  
CATHODE AND USE THEREOF FOR THE ELECTROLYSIS OF AQUEOUS  
SOLUTIONS OF ALKALINE METAL CHLORIDES

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the application filed herewith, please amend the specification and claims as follows.

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